GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS
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INCOME TAX ASSESSEES IN UTTAR PRADESH CIRCLE
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Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of income tax assessees in Uttar Pradesh circle;

(b) the numbers of assessees who have applied for refunds during 2001-2002 in Uttar Pradesh circle;

(c) the amount of refund disbursed during 2001-2002 in Uttar Pradesh;

(d) whether there is any proposal to re-introduce Electronics Clearances System (ECS) to avoid delay in refund; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN)

(a) The total number of income tax assessees under various Chief Commissioners of Income Tax in Uttar Pradesh was 22.48 lakhs as on 31.12.2002.

(b) The number of assessees who have applied for refunds during 2001-2002 in Uttar Pradesh is approximately 2,77,258.

(c) An amount of Rs. 454.04 Crores was disbursed as refund during 2001-2002 in Uttar Pradesh.

(d) & (e) Yes, Sir. In the Budget Speech, the Finance Minister has proposed introduction of Electronic Clearance System (ECS) for direct credit of refunds to the bank account of the taxpayers as a principal administrative reform. For this purpose the taxpayers will be required to furnish the necessary particulars of their bank accounts.